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Photo by JOC Ric Evans

She's back! The familiar sight of YFB 93 was absent from Guantanamo Bay for several months while she underwent scheduled overhaul back in the states, but beginning last Friday, she began her familiar route from Windward to Leeward and back again, even sharing the duties with her sister ferry, YFB 92, on her first day back. Long-time residents of GTMO, if they were near the bay that afternoon, witnessed a sight that hadn't happened for some time, the two ferries passing each other at mid bay. That hadn't happened since the base population fell to a point where simultaneous departures from Leeward and Windward landings were no longer required.

OCSC Plans Cheese Gala, Casino Night

The OCSC is hosting a Wine, Cheese and Fondue Gala at the Sailing Center Feb. 22 at 6 pm. A variety of special cheeses and fondues will be served. Bring your favorite wine to sip and share. Tickets for the event are \$5 and will be on sale at the NEX atrium Saturday, Feb. 9 from 10 am to noon. For more details, call Kathy at 2376. Coming in March, OCSC's Casino Night If you would like to learn how to be a dealer for the event, practice begins Thursday, Feb. 21 from 6 to 8 pm. Call Randi at 5444 for details.

BRIEFS

Black History Month at ES Media Center

Help your children learn about customs and traditions of the African-American culture. Visit the displays of traditional African-American ethnic objects and art work at the Elementary School Media Center.

The Black History children's book collection features African-American authors and biographies.

Media Center hours are 8 am to 4 pm, Monday-Friday. For more details, call 2207.

"Military Spouse" Apron Sale

The HSSO is accepting orders for "Military Spouse" aprons until Feb. 22. Aprons are royal blue and have a "recipe for military spouses" printed on front. Cost is \$10 and is due at the time order is placed. All proceeds are used to make Welcome Baskets.

Orders can be placed at the NEX on Saturday, Feb 16 and at the hospital on Wednesday, Feb 20 from 11 am to 12:30 pm. Or, contact Mrs. Schmitz at 5355 and place your order. Aprons will be available at the end of March.

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BATTER(S) UP!





SeaBees Host One-Pitch Tourney

A fundraiser for the annual SeaBee Birthday Ball, this one pitch tournament had teams vying for bragging rights and a nice trophy throughout Saturday evening and into Sunday Morning. Yes, the tourney winner was not decided until NAVSTA (above) ignited at the plate, rallying to overcome the XO (not kisses and hugs) team (right) to win by one run. Die hard fans (upper right) stayed to the bitter end to cheer their team.

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Turn off machines and equipment when not needed. Don't underestimate the energy savings you can get by turning off unused computers. monitors, printers and copiers.

Recycle and Reuse

The key to a good life is saving our resources through reuse and recycling



FEBRUARY 2002 TIDAL DATA

Water Conservation

Total Used 6.374.814

Daily Avg 910,687.7

Daily Goal 700.000

We spent -\$28,021.47 **OVER** our goal last week.

DATE	TIME	LEVEL	TIME	LEVEL	TIME	LEVEL	TIME	LEVEL
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16	0500	0.02	1132	0.92	1742	0.02	2356	0.83
17	0548	0.11	1156	0.84	1812	-0.03	0050	0.89
18	0642	0.20	1226	0.75	1842	-0.10	0642	0.20
19	0144	0.96	0748	0.28	1302	0.68	1924	-0.16
20	0244	1.03	0854	0.34	1338	0.62	2012	-0.23
21	0350	1.12	1012	0.37	1426	0.58	2100	-0.31
22	0450	1.21	1118	0.37	1526	0.57	2200	-0.38

A Heartfelt Valentine

The children at W.T. Sampson Elementary School had the Valentine spirit as they made, gathered and delivered hundreds of Valentine's Day Cards to... Marine Hill. They may never know just who gets each card, but they do know that they went to Soldiers and Marines serving away from their homes and families at GTMO.

If you missed sending out a Valentine to a loved one overseas, you can still send a



message of love and support year-round by logging onto the internet at http:// OperationDearAbby.net. Powered by http://AnyServiceMember.Navy.mil, the site provides greetings to servicemembers of all four Services worldwide. It is a cooperative effort between the Navy's LIFELines network and the newspaper advice columnist. To ensure servicemembers with limited Internet access were able to read the expressions of support, the LIFELines staff developed a convenient download and printing process allowing the messages to be distributed.

Budget Includes \$94 Billion for Military Pay, Allowances

By Linda D. Kozaryn

American Forces Information Service

"Smart weapons are worthless unless they're in the hands of smart, well-trained, highly motivated soldiers, Sailors, airmen and Marines," Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld told members of the House Armed Services Committee Feb. 6. "If we're to win the war on terror and prepare for tomorrow, we have to take care of our greatest assets, the people in the (Defense) Department," he said.

Rumsfeld said the proposed fiscal 2003 defense budget request of \$379 billion includes \$94 billion for military pay and allowances. This would give service members a 4.1 percent acrossthe-board pay raise, and mid-grade service members would get another \$300 million in targeted

The proposed budget also includes \$4.2 billion to improve military housing. This would put the department on track to eliminate most substandard housing by 2007 -- three years sooner than originally forcast.

Money is also allocated to reduce out-of-pocket housing costs for service members living off base from 11.3 percent today down to 7.5 percent in 2003. This would put the department on track to eliminate it by 2005, he said.

About \$10 billion would go for education, training and recruitment, he said, "and a breathtaking \$18.8 billion to cover realistic costs for military health care."

Anyone who visits America's troops "can't help but come away with just enormous confidence in their dedication, their patriotism, their confidence, the training they've had and the very high state of morale that they bring to the important work that they're doing," Rumsfeld told committee members. "They put their lives at risk for our country, and we all are deeply appreciative and grateful to them," he said.

BRIEFS CONT.

Community Fleamarket Feb. 16

The GTMO Community Flea Market is Saturday, Feb. 16, from 7 am to noon at the Community Center

If you want a table, contact JoAnn King at 2774 or Cel McMillan at 7597 after working hours. There is no charge for tables or the facility; this is not a fund-raiser for any organization. Proceeds from sales will be kept by participants.

Tax Center Open

The ELF/VITA center's doors are open at the White House. During normal working hours. Appointments and walk-ins will be taken. However, appointments are preferred because (1) receptionist can advise client what documents are necessary, and (2) appointments reduce the waiting time.

Additional hours will be set for after normal working hours and weekends. VITA representatives will also provide service to members of JTF-160 at the Pink Palace. For more information, call 4692.

Single Parents Support **Group Meeting**

The Single Parent Support Group is meeting at the Windjammer on Feb. 21, at noon. This group is open to all single parents and their children (all age children) or geographically separated parents here with their children. The group has also been opened to those stationed here without their families.

The group's focus is to create a network of moral support. For more information, contact Shannon Gallops at 4207 or 7337.

Driver Improvement, **Motorcycle Safety Courses** scheduled

There is a Driver Improvement Program Course Feb. 25, 8:30 am to 5:30 pm. This is an AAA Approved course teaching aspects in managing visibility, time and space. This course is required for anyone who has been cited for reckless driving, had their license suspended, or not had the minimum 4-hour course in boot camp. Class is limited to 30 persons. Sign up in the safety office by close of business Feb. 21. Sign up is required due to assignment

of pre-course study.
A Motorcycle Safety Course (AAA Approved) is tenatively scheduled April 3-8. All personnel who ride a motorcycle on base are required to attend. Space is limited so reserve your seat no later than close of business March 1. Personnel who ask for the course after March 1 will be wait-listed. For more details, call 4526 or 4529.



Do you dream of owning your own home? Do common real estate terms like loans, mortgages, interest rates, closing cost send you into a panic? The Fleet and Family Support Center is here to help calm your fears about buying your first home.

A First Time Home Buying class will be offered at FFSC on Thursday, Feb. 21, from 9-11 am. This class was presented to a "full house" in January and several base residents who could not attend have expressed an interest in learning more about the process of purchasing a home.

Topics to be covered include: "How much house can I afford?, determining monthly mortgage payments, working with real estate agents, types of mortgage loans, closing/prepaid cost, and common mistakes to avoid. The class is designed for "First time Home Buyers" but all are welcome. If interested in attending, call 4141 to register in advance.

Ten Step Countdown for a Healthy Lifestyle

Here are ten things to do to help you live longer, live better, and live happier:

Number 10: Be Informed. Get involved with your healthcare by developing a partnership with your Primary Care Manager (PCM) team. Be proactive in making your healthcare decisions and don't be afraid to ask questions.

Number 9: Be Good To Your Bones. For healthy bones, be sure to replenish your stock of calcium every day with plenty of foods like milk and dairy products, leafy green vegetables, canned salmon, and calcium-fortified juices or breads. Speak with your doctor about calcium supplements.

Number 8: Avoid Illegal Drugs and Alcohol. For women, the definition of moderate drinking stops at one glass. Where illicit drugs are concerned there is no such thing as "moderate" use

Number 7: Take Medicine Wisely. Read the labels, follow the instructions carefully, and remind your doctor or pharmacist about any other medicines or supplements you might be taking that could interact with your medication. If you have any questions about possible side effects call your doctor or pharmacist.

Number 6: Play It Safe. Avoid injuries. Buckle up. Wear a bike helmet. Use smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Wear sunscreen and UV protected sunglasses. Use street smarts and common sense. Practice safe sex.

Number 5: Get regular checkups, preventive exams, and immunizations. Don't forget self-exams, too.

Number 4: Don't Smoke. It's the leading preventable cause of death in our country.

Number 3: Eat Smart. It's the secret to good health. Enjoy a variety of foods, balance foods from each food group, and exercise moderation.

Number 2: Get Moving. The other secret to good health: just 30 minutes of physical activity, accumulated over the course of each day, can radically improve the way you look and feel, both physically and mentally.

Number 1: Be Happy. Take time for yourself. Get connected with family, friends, and community. Do things you enjoy!

Adapted from the Department of Health and Human Services.

Practice Bicycle Safety

Base residents are reminded to take the proper safety precautions when riding bicycles. It is mandatory for all cyclist on GTMO to wear a bicycle helmet and light colored clothing. When riding at night the vest must be reflective. Other safety equipment will include lights, reflectors and horns. Additionally, all GTMO cyclists shall observe the same traffic regulations as motor vehicles and be given the same right of way. Also, always try to ride as close to the right side of road as possible. No persons shall ride two abreast

The following bicycle safety tips are from the American Red Cross.

- * Adults and children should always wear a correctly-fitting helmet when riding. Even children using tricycles or bikes with training wheels.
- * Be sure that helmets meet standards set by the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), the Snell Memorial Foundation or the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM).
- * Wear closed shoes when riding a bike.
- * Make sure bikes have good brakes, a front light and effective reflecting material.
- * Make sure bikes are the correct size for the rider.
- * Learn about bicycle etiquette, laws, and safe practices and teach your children about them.

This Week in Naval History

February 15

1856 - USS Supply sails from Syria, bound for Texas, with a load of 21 camels intended for experimental use in the American desert west of the Rockies

1898 - U.S. battleship *Maine* blows up in Havana Harbor.

February 16

1804 - Lieutenant Stephen Decatur enters Tripoli harbor by night in the ketch Intrepid to burn the captured frigate Philadelphia. Decatur's raid succeeds without American losses. England's Lord Nelson calls this "the most daring act of the aree."

1967 - Operation River Raider begins in Mekong Delta

February 17

1864 - Confederate submarine H.L. Hunley sinks USS Housatonic

1942 - First Construction Battalion (Seabees) arrive Bora Bora

1944 - Carrier aircraft strike Japanese fleet at Truk, sinking ships and destroying aircraft

February 18

1846 - General order on Port and Starboard 1955 - 1st of 14 detonations, Operation Teapot nuclear test

February 19

1814 - USS Constitution captures British brig Catherine

1945 - Marines with naval gunfire support land on Iwo Jima: island secured 16 March.

February 20

1815 - USS *Constitution*, under Captain Charles Stewart, captures HMS *Cyane* and sloop-of-war *Levant*

1962 - L/COL John Glenn, USMC becomes first American to orbit Earth. His flight in *Friendship* 7 (Mercury 6) consisted of 3 orbits in 88 minutes at a velocity of 17,544 mph with the highest altitude of 162.2 statute miles. Recovery was by USS *Noa* (DD-841).

1962 - USS Dixie (AD-14) rescues lone crewman aboard a sailing yawl adrift for four days. 1974 - S-3A Viking ASW aircraft (carrier jet) introduced officially, given to VS-41.

February 21

1944 - Marines with support of naval bombardment and carrier aircraft secure Eniwetok atoll

Remembering the Maine

By YNC Anthony Atwood MIUW 208. JTF 160

In 1898 the island of Cuba was torn by troubles. The native Cuban people were seeking independence from the Spanish Empire who ruled them. There were riots in Havana, where many American citizens lived. The American Consul General requested a Navy presence to help safeguard our citizens.



Passing Morro Castle as she entered Havana harbor, Cuba, on 25 January 1898. She was destroyed by explosion there some three weeks later, on Feb. 15. Photo courtesy Naval Historical Center

On January 25th, 1898 the Battleship *USS Maine*, with 354 Sailors, steamed into Havana Harbor.

Although many Cubans welcomed the arrival, the Spanish government itself gave them a cool official reception. With the exception of port calls by Captain Charles Sigsbee, liberty was not granted to the crew. They remained aboard at battle stations.

The night of February 15th was quiet. The 8 o'clock reports were laid

before the mast. At 2100 hours the Marine bugler blew Taps over the battleship. For another forty minutes

all was calm.
Suddenly a gigantic explosion rocked the ship.
A second explosion blew the ship up out of the water.
The Maine began to settle.
She was sinking. Her back was broken.

With the ship going down by the bow and deck ammo cooked off, cries for help came from the water. Captain Sigsbee, the ship's Chaplain, and a few others released what boats they could. Other ships in the harbor began picking up survivors.

His stern awash, Sigsbee had to abandon ship. In his gig he made shore and headed for the telegraph office. His XO rushed to the city hospitals. The loss was staggering. The

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USS Maine is destoyed by explosion in Havanna Harbor Feb. 15, 1898. Artwork from Naval Historical Center

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NCTAMS LANT DET GTMO wins OSCAR

NCTAMS LANT DET GTMO was selected the best Naval and Information Technology Gold IT. Communications Detachment in the Atlantic region for FY2001. This is the first time that any Atlantic region communication's detachment has won this prestigious award twice in a row. Our GTMO

DET won last year and was the first DET ever to win an OSCAR.

The Outstanding Support to Customers throughout the Atlantic Region is Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station Atlantic's equivalent to the Fleet Battle "E" Award and was established to enable formal recognition of excellence in overall performance within the Atlantic Region. The award recognizes the ability of a communications

command or detachment to carry out its assigned peace and wartime missions and to perform as an effective part of the Fleet. The OSCAR is presented to the top activity within the specified mission categories (communications, electronic material maintenance and information technology) and is based upon a year-long assessment of day-to-day performance. Mission area awards include the Communications Green C. Electronic Material Maintenance Red E.

The GTMO DET now represents the Atlantic Region in Naval Network Operations Command's worldwide Communications and Information Technology Excellence, or CITE Award

competition. This program awards and establishes formal recognition for operational excellence within the NAVNETOPSCOM claimancy and is the highest naval communications excellence award presented to a command or detachment

NCTAMSLANT Region has eleven detachments stretching from Cutler, Maine, to La Moure, ND, and from Corpus Christi, Texas, to Key West, Fla., and seven other locations in between. DET GTMO is the only OCONUS detachment in the Atlantic Region.

As an endnote, DET GTMO is also competing in the FY2001 CONUS Global Information Grid (GIG) Outstanding Transmitting Facility, Category II Award. This award program also recognizes the outstanding contributions of individuals and organizations in direct support of the Department of Defense Global Information infrastructure. DET GTMO won this award in 2000 and 1999.

Absentee Ballots: Ticket for Overseas Voting

By Gerry J. Gilmore American Forces Press Service

Participation in the nation's electoral that respect, I would say our military are certainly fine examples of good citizens." DoD's senior voting assistance officer said. "We'd like to see service members exercise their right to vote to the fullest extent," said Polli Brunelli, director of the Federal Voting Assistance Program (FVAP) in Arlington, Va.

The FVAP facilitates absentee voting for U.S. military and other American citizens living overseas, she noted. Service members, especially those stationed overseas, should contact their local voting assistance officer well before elections to obtain the required information and materials needed to register and vote, she said. "Send those materials in promptly to your local election official — that's the county where you're eligible to vote," Brunelli said.

The FVAP carries out the voting program on behalf of the secretary of defense who is delegated by the President to administer the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act of 1986, she noted. The law affects more than six million potential voters.

The program's aims are to inform and educate U.S. citizens worldwide of their right to vote; foster voting participation, and protect

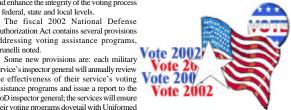
and enhance the integrity of the voting process at federal, state and local levels.

The fiscal 2002 National Defense Authorization Act contains several provisions process "is a mark of good citizenship, and in addressing voting assistance programs, Brunelli noted.

> service's inspector general will annually review the effectiveness of their service's voting Vote 200 assistance programs and issue a report to the DoD inspector general; the services will ensure their voting programs dovetail with Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act processes have been simplified. Service provisions and DoD directives governing voting assistance programs; commanders will ensure voting assistance officers are appointed. properly trained and equipped to provide military members with information needed to register to vote and to cast absentee ballots: commanders' evaluation reports on voting assistance officers will include comments pertaining to their performance in carrying out their voting assistance responsibilities.

Beginning four months before general elections, the secretary of defense will survey all overseas locations and seagoing vessels and all U.S. port facilities that collect APO and FPO mail to determine if voting materials are awaiting shipment and to ensure the military postal service moves the materials expeditiously.

The absentee voter registration and ballot



She noted that the fiscal 2002 defense

presidential election validated the concept of Internet absentee voting, she said, but it involved fewer than 100 service members from 21 states and 11 countries. The Fiscal 2002 authorization act, she said, "strengthens voting assistance programs of the services and also helps ensure that our men and women in uniform are able to exercise their right to vote." For more information, visit the Internet at http:/ /www.fvap.ncr.gov.

JOINT TASK FORCE-160

Coast Guard: protecting GTMO's waters

Story and photos by Army Pfc. Jacob A. McDonald

JTF-160 Joint Information Bureau

A Coast Guard crew checks their weapons, flares and other supplies on their 25-foot, freshly cleaned, twin engine boat at the boat shed before going into Guantanamo Bay for a 12-hour shift on the clear blue water today.

United States Coast Guard Reserve Port Security Unit 305 out of Fort Eustis, Va., helps protect the harbor here 24 hours a day. With three mounted guns on each boat, and other tools and weapons at their disposal, the unit's main job is to provide port security and harbor defense for JTF-160 operations.

"First, we have to have some sort of threat. Right now, we are ...out there identifying the different craft: friendly or foe... We act as a threat deterrent." Boatswain's Mate Second Class Matthew Graziani said

To complete the threat-deterring mission, the unit is divided into different jobs. Security teams in the boats patrol the harbor. escort boats and detainee transfers, and assist in other missions. Support teams, including hospital corpsmen, yeomen (administration), mechanics and supply personnel help accomplish the mission by providing roundthe-clock assistance to the crews and maintaining the boats.

"We have 12-hour watches," Graziani said about the unit's schedule on an average day. "We get up, come on watch and the first thing we do is check off the boat...we make sure everything that we're supposed to have

load our weapons, of course making sure that everything's there that is supposed to be concussion grenades and different types of there, and then we get underway."

After the preparations the crews take the boats out onto the water for three hours at a time before coming back to the boat shed to eat and rest. Then another boat crew goes out on the water for three hours

and you don't even know it. It definitely can make you less than sharp," Graziani said.

On a busy day, the three-hour time limit may be extended. All of the boats may be on the water at a time. Escorting, assisting in detainee transfers and emergency rescues can make for a long twelve hours according to Graziani

"Here, we have just been escorting threats and all we are looking for is making sure drastic turns. It's a counter terrorism role that we're playing," he said.

The unit has many tools available to it for its job of counter terrorism, but nothing replaces a good crewman Graziani said.

"The people are the best tool for the job. We do have equipment. We have radar and NVG's [night vision goggles] and stuff like that, but nothing can take the place of a good crewman," he said.

Other than the personnel, the Transportable Small Boat (TPSB) is the primary tool for this unit. The TPSB carries one .50 caliber and two M-60 machine guns. It is capable of driving at forty-plus knots. The three or four man crews are armed with

we do have. Then we take on our weapons, M-16s and shotguns and they have been trained with M-203s. Also, they use flares to light up any area, Graziani said. To become better acquainted with those tools, members of the unit have been to the tactical boat handling school at Camp Lejeune, NC.

"It really puts you into that tactical mindset of the 'what ifs.' Always 'what if-"The sun can really drain a lot out of you ing' the situation your in. Watching to see if any of those 'what ifs' are actually coming out and making sure they don't." Graziani said about the training.

"When we are actually performing our mission a lot of things change, of course, because the mission becomes the most important thing to us," he said.

"I feel like they need us here," he said about the mission, "but the harbor patrol's doing a mighty good job of what they do they are not dropping things in the water- also. I'm hoping that we'll get the making sure they stay...on their course, No opportunity to integrate with them, and maybe help them train."

> At the end of the day the boat crew drives slowly through the no-wake zone. The sun has set and darkness covers the bay. The lights on the small boat illuminate the water around them. Dolphins swim up to the sides of the boat and poke their heads out of the water. Ahead of them, the boat shed is alive with activity as the next crews prepare to continue a watchful presence in Guantanamo Bay.



BM2 Caroline Carter washes a TPSB.

members who want the particulars on how to register and vote should contact their local voting officers. Brunelli said.

authorization act permits the FVAP to conduct a demonstration project this year allowing service members to cast absentee votes electronically.

A similar project during the 2000



A Coast Guard TPSB and a Coast Guard Dolphin helicopter patrol Guantanamo Bay.

W.T. Sampson shows support to troops

Story and Photos by Army Pfc. Daniel P. Kelly

Children at W.T. Sampson elementary school are showing support of U.S. military operations here and the rest of the world through projects and plastic cups.

Anyone traveling on Sherman Ave. can't help but notice the red, white and blue flag and giant red ribbon on the fence in front of the school. Teachers and students also used the cups to write out, "Thank you," and "We [heart] our troops."

"Our students, through their relationship with each other and with a diverse community, have always expressed thanks to those that are a part of their community. The sign on the fence is just an extension of that," Assistant Principal W.T. Johnson said.

Another way students show thanks is with a banner made for Joint Task Force-160 servicemembers that hangs in the front window of the Naval Exchange.

The banner welcomes JTF-160 servicemembers, made up of notes and thanks from students and teachers.

"Every student, as well as the faculty here, signed that just to say we appreciate what folks do here - the JTF forces, as well as the men and women who are assigned here permanently. We have an appreciation for our military

personnel," Johnson said.

Children at W.T. Sampson have a tradition of showing support and patriotism, Johnson added.

"The school, from the very onset, has consistently displayed a sense of pride and patriotism in our country. Our school, as are most Department of Defense Dependents Schools, is for military dependents from active duty as well as DoD civilians, so all of them (the students) have a vested interest in our country, and in the performance of what their parents do.

"Routinely and consistently we do the pledge allegiance to the flag and we sing a patriotic song," Johnson stated.

Between nine and 10 patriotic songs, including "The Star Spangle Banner," "America," and "You're a Grand Old Flag," are rotated between kindergarten though sixth-grade volunteers, music teacher Shirley Baggett said.

Children will continue to show support of local troops and supporting forces throughout the year. For example, in the spirit of Valentines Day, children took time this month to make valentines for servicemembers at Camp X-Ray and on the GTMO Fenceline, Johnson added.

See next week's Gazette for coverage of Valentine's Day at Camp X-Ray.



The elementary school's "Thank you" message to the troops here is spelled out in the fence along Shermana Ave. with 186 red, white and blue cups.



"We Love Our Troops" is the message seen by JTF-160 members as they drive down



One of many projects still awaiting display.





Valentines boxes are in each class. Fifth grader Alex Blackman leads the school in "America."



(From left to right.) Third graders Kelly Baggett, Kristin Ramos, and Kimberly Baggett hold the flag during the Pledge of Allegiance.

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GUANTANAMO BAY

JTF-160 In brief

Opportunities for recognition made available

Beginning this week, active duty and reserve men and women assigned to JTF-160 receiving promotions, awards and other honors can have their accomplishments publicized here on the JTF-160 pages in the Guantanamo Bay Gazette.

In order for this to happen, servicemembers' names and accomplishments must be submitted by their supervisor to the JTF Joint Information Bureau office located in the "Pink Palace." Email is also an acceptable method of submitting the requests.

The criteria for recognition includes any promotion, award, re-enlistment, change of command or outstanding performance through volunteering or actions above and beyond the call of duty.

All submissions are due no later than 5 pm, each Wednesday to appear in that Friday's Gazette.

In addition, photographic support can be arranged for special events. Requests must be at least 24 hours in advance and will be filled on a case-bycase basis. Either email or visit the Joint Information Bureau (JIB) for further information.

The JIB can be reached by phone at 5239. Emailed submissions should be sent to strineja@jtf160.usnbgtmo.navy.mil.

Correction for last week

Last week's article, "Muslim chaplain teaches Islam to hospital staff, shares views," was incorrect in stating the following quote:

"Though the detainees took life, it is not the place of other Muslims to decide whether that is right or not. It is up to god to decide," Muslim Chaplain (Navy Lt.) Abuhena Saifulislam said. The quote should have read

In response to a question about detainees' fate and whether they were Muslim or not, the chaplain responded by saying, "It is not my judgement to determine whether they are Muslim or not. It is up to God to make that judgement."

We apologize for the discrepancy.



Model Marine

Lance Cpl. Jeremy Johnson stands aside Brig. Gen.
Michael Lehnhart just after being promoted.



Hoorah!

Marine C Company, 8th Communications Bn., conducted their change of command ceremony outside of the "Pink Palace," the former Naval Base Air Operations Headquarters building here. Marine Lt. Rodney Towery replaced Marine Capt. Jeffrey Lamb.

GAZETTE

Worship Services

Roman Catholic Mass (Main Chapel) Monday - Friday

 Daily Mass (Cobre Chapel)
 0630

 Saturday
 1630

 Reconciliation
 1730

 Eucharist/Mass
 1730

 Sunday
 5

 Eucharist/Mass
 0900

 Camp X-Ray (QRF Tent)
 1030

Eucharistic Adoration/Reflectiv Prayer (Cobre Chapel)Daily, 24hrs

> Protestant Service (Main Chapel)

Worship Service 1100 Camp X-Ray 1430

New Life (Sanctuary B)

Sunday School 1000 Worship Service 1100

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

Sunday
Sacrament 0900

Jewish (Saretree

(Sanctuary A)

wice per month Call 2:

Filipino Bible Fellowship

(Sanctuary A)

Sunday Worship Service 1800

Inglesia Ni Cristo
(Sanctuary B)

Pentecostal Gospel Temple

(Sanctuary C)
Sunday
Orship 0800 & 1700

Seventh Day Adventist (Sanctuary B)

Saturday
Service 0930 & 1630

United Gospel
(Main Chapel)
Sunday

Service

United Jamacian Fellowship

(Morin Ctr Complex - BLDG. 1036) (Next to the Cable Company) Sunday

Worship

Please ask the Faith Group Representative about Education Programs, Bible Study, Prayer Groups, etc. For more details, call the Chaplain's Office at 2323.

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO BUY TICKETS

for the **3**rd **Annual Dinner Dance Ceremony** hosted by the African American Cultural Committee in honor of Black History.

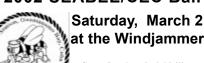
Tickets are on sale at the NEX Atrium. Ceremony is Saturday, Feb. 16 at the Windjammer. Social Hour begins at 5pm. This is a formal event. For more details on the dinner/dance, call Cynthia Johnson at 3664 or Yolonda Jones at 2380.

Join us in celebrating Black History Month

The following community events are planned: **Feb 18** – 5K Run/Walk, meet at 6:30am at the base gym

Feb 23 – Family Day Picnic at the Windjammer Pool, noon to 4pm Feb 24 – Scotch Doubles Bowling Tournament, 2pm at Bowling Center

2002 SEABEE/CEC Ball



Guest Speaker: Jack Neill Music: Jim Veazey Special Performance by Jan Jones

Attire: Summer Whites or Civilian Equivalent E1-E3 ___ \$5.00
E4-E6 ___ \$10.00
E7-O3 ___ \$18.00
O4 & Up _ \$20.00
Civilian \$20.00

For ticket information, contact CE1 Dula at 4125 ext.207 or email: n2011@usnbgtmo.navy.mil or loweMD@efdlant.navy.mil

School Lunch Menu

Feb. 18 - 22

- MONDAY -

President's Day
No School

- TUESDAY-

Ravioli Rice, Green Beans, Sliced Peaches, Milk

- WEDNESDAY -

Pepperoni Pizza, Mixed Vegetable, Fruited Gelatin, Milk

- Thursday-

Cheese Burger, Lettuce, Tomato and Pickles, French Fries, Fresh Fruit, Milk

- FRIDAY -

Oven Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Sweet Peas, Fresh Fruit, Milk

Force Protection Tip of the Week

Always lock your car -- even in GTMO! **GUANTANAMO BAY**

explosions had detonated beneath crew berthing and ignited the magazines. Two hundred and sixty-six members of ship's company were killed. Three-fourths of the crew were lost.

The captain cabled the Secretary of the Navy with his report via the underwater telegraph line running from Havana to Naval Station Key West. At Iam, the report reached Washington. The duty officer went to the Secretary. At 5 am, they were at the White House. The President was awakened.

The rest is history. In April war was declared against Spain. That Summer the American Expedition landed in Cuba. In battles on land and at sea, Spain was decisively defeated. Cuba emerged as a nation in its own right. America was now a world power.

Who sank the USS Maine remains a mystery. The initial Board of Inquiry in 1898, as well as a second board in 1911, determined it was sunk by a Spanish mine; although Spain denied it. It could have been sabotaged by Cuban independence fighters, hoping to get America on their side against Spain. In 1975, for his book How the Battleship Maine was Destroyed, Adm. Hyman Rickover had technical



U.S. Navy diving crew works on the ship's wreck, in 1898, seen from aft looking forward.

Photo from Naval Historical Center

experts investigate. Using documentation gathered from the two official inquiries, as well as information on the construction and ammunition of *Maine* they speculated it was spontaneous combustion of coal in the bunker next to the magazine. Despite the best efforts of experts and historians a definitive explanation for the destruction of

Photo from Naval Historical Center
Maine remains elusive.

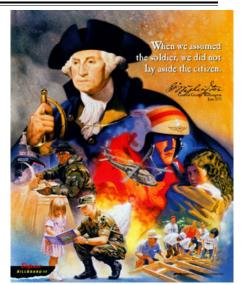
In 1912 USS Maine was raised from Havana harbor. The keel was clearly shattered from beneath. She was towed out to sea and resank with honors in 3000 fathoms. Some of her crew are with her there, the rest interred in a mass grave at Arlington.

President's Day or Washington's Birthday?

In 1968, Congress passed the Monday Holidays Act, which moved the official observance of Washington's birthday from Feb. 22 to the third Monday in February. Some reformers had wanted to change the name of the holiday as well, to Presidents' Day, in honor of both Lincoln and Washington, but that proposal was rejected by Congress, and the holiday remained officially Washington's Birthday.

But in 1971, when the Act went into effect, President Nixon proclaimed the holiday as Presidents' Day, to commemorate all past presidents, not just Lincoln and Washington. This idea was never intended or authorized by Congress; nevertheless, it gained popularity with the public.

No matter what you call it, have a safe and happy holiday weekend.



GAZETTE

Fire Strikes Guantanamo Kitchen

From Alan Fricker, Chief Fire Inspector Naval Satation Fire Department

It was a bright sunny Guantanamo Bay kind of day. The type we all like to enjoy early in January, except for one problem. Fire was rearing its ugly head devouring a kitchen in bldg. 640 (BEQ) and endangering the occupants. This time quick actions by witnesses and your local professional firefighters stopped the fire in its tracks. Investigation found the cause to be combustible materials stored on a stovetop with a burner element on high. The profile of our fire fit the nation's number one cause of home fires to a "T".

The National Fire Protection Association Statistics State that January is the peak month for

home fire deaths. February ranked second and December was third. With kitchen fires being the #1 cause of home fires and home fire injuries. The majority of cooking equipment fires start with the ignition of common household items (i.e., wall coverings, paper or plastic bags, curtains, potholders, etc.).

In the 2000/2001 time frame, the U.S. Navy had \$11,532,974,322.00 worth of government property involved in structural fire emergencies. These fires resulted in 5 serious injuries and \$661,115.00 in direct government property damage. Those fires also resulted in over \$941,095 additional dollar damage to sailor and their family's personal property.

One out of every four U. S. Navy base fires start in the kitchen. Here are some critical steps you can take to protect your home and loved ones.

- * Keep cooking areas clean and clear of combustibles (i.e. potholders, towels, rags, drapes and food packaging).
- * Never leave cooking food on the stovetop unattended, and keep a close eye on food cooking inside the oven.
- * Keep children and pets away from cooking areas by creating a three-foot (one-meter) "kid-free zone" around the stove.
- * Turn pot handles inward so they can't be bumped and children can't grab them.
- * Wear short, close fitting or tightly rolled sleeves when cooking. Loose clothing can dangle onto stove burners and catch fire.
- * Always keep a potholder, oven mitt and lid handy. If a small grease fire starts in a pan, put on an oven mitt and smother the flames by carefully sliding the lid over the pan. Turn off the burner. Don't remove the lid until it is completely cool. Never pour water on a grease fire and never discharge a fire extinguisher onto a pan fire, as it can spray or shoot burning grease around the kitchen, actually spreading the fire.
- * If there is an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door closed to prevent flames from burning you and your clothing.
- * If there is a microwave fire, keep the door closed and unplug the microwave. Call the fire department and make sure to have the oven

serviced before you use it again. Food cooked in a microwave can be dangerously hot. Remove the lids or other coverings from microwaved food carefully to prevent steam burns.

* Finally, and most importantly, get out of your home, go to your neighbor's and call 9-1-1. Do not re-enter the home for any reason.

LEGAL CORNER

Your Wallet Is Been Stolen. What Do You Do?

We've all heard horror stories about what can happen when someone steals your wallet. Here are some helpful hints that can minimize the damage should this happen to you.

Hint #1 Photocopy the front and back of your license and all your credit cards. Keep the photocopy in a safe place. Should your wallet disappear, by looking at the photocopy you will immediately know whom to call, the toll free telephone number, and the account information. Remember that time is of the essence. If you delay in reporting a stolen card the credit card company may hold you responsible for amounts charged.

Hint #2 In addition to contacting the credit card company to report a stolen card, it's a good idea to contact the three national credit-reporting agencies. These agencies will then put a fraud alert on your name and Social Security number. The alert means any company that checks your credit will know the information was stolen and they have to contact you by phone to authorize new credit. The numbers are: Equifax: 1-800-525-6285

Experian (formerly TRW): 1-888-397-3742 Trans Union: 1-800-680-7289

Hint #3 Don't forget to contact the Social Security Administration fraud line! That number is 1-800-269-0271.

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FISH POISONING: CIGUATERA

By Paul Schoenfeld Natural Resources Manager

Ciguatera is the most common nonbacterial fish poisoning in the U.S. It is caused by eating fish that have accumulated a toxin called ciguatoxin. Ciguatoxin is produced by certain dinoflagellates (algae) associated with coral reefs, and most notably by the dinoflagellate called Gambierdiscus toxicus. This toxin

bioaccumulates meaning it is passed up the food chain and becomes concentrated in the predatory fish at the upper end of the food chain.



While it is possible to become intoxicated from consuming the herbivorous (grazing) fish, ciguatera is more commonly associated with the upper end predators such as barracuda, amberjack, moray eels, and others. An estimated 425 different species of fish are believed to be able to carry ciguatoxin. Invertebrates and shellfish can also accumulate this toxin.

Ciguatera is generally distributed in the tropics between the North and South 35 degree latitudes although there is much variation including being unknown in areas within these latitudes and being found outside these latitudes. In addition, the presence of these certain dinoflagellates does not necessarily



Photo from fishbase.org

mean ciguatera will be present. It is believed that cignatox in production is associated with the destruction of coral reefs by either natural or man-made impacts. When reefs are destroyed, the damaged surfaces are quickly

colonized by a variety of macro-algae species which act as hosts and even provide habitat for the dinoflagellates which produce

Ciguatera has been known since the 1500's when Spanish explorers blamed a snail called cigua for making them sick. However, it was not until 1958 when scientists believed the source was a benthic (meaning bottom of the sea) microorganism and in the late 1970s when researchers identified it as a dinoflagellate. Since then, progress has been made in identifying the different species, different toxins, and different

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Creature Feature

"Creature Features" are submitted by Patricia Loop and The Guantanamo Bay Environmental Office

actions of these toxins along with more advanced treatments for

Ciguatoxin and other similar toxins associated with ciguatera are quite stable. They cannot be destroyed by cooking and they do not affect the taste, odor, or color of the fish. In earlier times, many island populations used pets or relatives to test fish for ciguatoxin. Even today testing fish for ciguatoxin is not a simple process and requires specialized analytical methods.

Symptoms of ciguatera include gastrointestinal disorders, itching, numbness, muscular and skeletal discomfort, and a reversal of hot/cold sensations. These symptoms may appear within minutes or as late as a few days after ingesting the toxin. Ciguatera can also be sexually transmitted and there are indications that nursing infants can be exposed through mother's milk.

So now you're thinking twice about tonight's seafood dinner! Don't worry. The occurrence of ciguatera is inconsistent with respect to location and time and most reefs are not subject to ciguatoxin. Outbreaks are usually localized and knowledge of these locations is disseminated rapidly. Although GTMO lies within the geographic boundaries of ciguatera occurrence, Base residents should continue their normal lifestyles with respect to seafood. In the event symptoms develop after consuming seafood, get medical attention promptly and mention the possibility of ciguatera.

More Ciguatera Facts

How long do symptoms of ciguatera fish poisoning last? The symptoms may last for a week or so in mild cases, but may persist for several months or longer in some people.

What is the treatment for ciguatera fish poisoning?

The treatment is mainly supportive care. Certain medications have been reported to be helpful when started in the early phases of the illness. It is also recommended that a person suffering from ciguatera fish poisoning avoid eating fish, fish sauces. shellfish, alcohol, and nuts for several months after the incident.

How do you keep from getting it?

Clean fish as soon as possible after they are caught or bought. Do not eat head, guts, or roe (eggs) of any reef fish, especially those of sharks and eels

Avoid eating fish caught at sites known to have a ciguatoxic algae problem.

Remember that the ciguatoxin is not destroyed by cooking, drying, salting, or freezing the fish.

Courtesy Hawaii Department of Health

GTMO SHOPPER

FOR SALE

- (1) Bruizer Bandit Paintball Gun. 10inch barrel, covered wire, aluminum body, red w/silver barrel and black expansion chamber. Also includes 150 round hopper (never used), elbow and neck protector, 7 O-rings, Allen wrench, raised sight rail and double trigger. Needs velocity adjuster. All for \$137. Call 5603.
- (1)2 roundtriptickets from FT. Lauderdale to GTMO and return with Lynx air. These tickets must be used before the end of March. \$600 obo. Call daytime, 2276; evening, 7880.
- Video tape player, 4-heads working condition. \$20. Call 7499.
- (1) Huffy, City Cruiser bicycles one male, one female. \$45 each. Includes helmets. Baby/toddler bicycle seat carrier w/helmet. \$125 new, asking \$50. Call
- (1) Ringside Black Boxing Speed Bag, super-fast lightweight leather construction, \$25. Reves Red Pro Bag Gloves w/open thumb, size Medium, \$25. Call 7454 (AWH) or 4819 (DWH)
- (1) Two bicycles, one 26" mens mountain and one 27" women's, \$50 each. 7718
- (1) RCA 25" TV, 2yrs old. Great Condition! Asking \$100.00 Call 5526
- (1) Own a piece of history. Russian made wristwatch with George Bush and Mikhail Gorbachev and American and old Russian flags. \$50. Call 7499
- (1) Baby crib w/Serta Baby Imperial Mattress \$100 firm. Diaper bag by Samsonite, like new - \$20. Call 7499.
- (1) Full-sized refrigerator, used outdoors, but works very well - \$50. Call 3144
- (3) EZ-Go Golfcart. Runs well, but needs new batteries. Battery charger and spare parts included - \$300 or best offer. Call 7755 AWH.
- (3) Full-size Futon w/mattress and denimcolored cover. Light oak finish - \$150.
- (3) Emerson Dehumidifier (30pt) less than 1 yr old. Works great especially suited for damp barracks rooms. Cost \$220 new, asking price-\$120. Call 2351 (DWH) or 7319 (AWH).

VEHICLES/BOATS

(2) 15.5 Ft Chrysler Center Console w/ 90hp Johnson outboard motor. Boat includes trailer all required safety equipment, new radio and antenna compass, lights and more, \$1,700,00 OBO, DWH 72118, AWH 5270

- (3) 1991 Chris Craft, Concept 167. 17 1/ 2 ft. Runabout with I/O-150 hp motor. One owner with very low hours. Trailer, custom cover and bikini top. \$4,500.00 firm Call AWH at 7864
- (1) 1993 Light Blue Ford Escort LX Hatchback. Has cold A/C. New stereo w/cassette. Just tuned up and serviced. THIS IS NOT A GTMO SPECIAL. Car runs great and looks good. Asking \$3700 OBO. Call 5577.
- (1) 1986 Ford Tempo 5-speed manual transmission, runs good - great GTMO car. \$850 firm. Call 2351 (DWH) or 7319 (AWH).
- (3) 1992 Black Nissan Maxima 5-spd Selling price \$4500. Available Feb 20. FMI call 5811
- (1) 1985 Ford Lazer. 2-door standard. \$400. Call 5583
- (1) Motorcycle 1996 Yamaha Virago 1100cc Great Condition low miles Asking \$5 500 firm Call 7672 AWH
- (1) 12x24 Pontoon Boat w/90 hp engine \$3,200. AWH 4837, DWH 7125.
- (1) Boat for sale, 8ftx18ft, Call 7941 DWH or 7085 AWH

EMPLOYMENT

The American Red Cross is accepting applications for an after-hours caseworker Duties include receiving servicing, and sending emergency and personal communications for military and civilian members of the Guantanamo Bay community. Caseworker will be "on the pager" alternating weeks to handle evening, nighttime, and weekend calls. Red Cross will provide required training. Qualified applicants should have casework or customer service experience. be knowledgeable of military culture and Red Cross services, and be available for nighttime and weekend work. Pick up applications at the Red Cross office in the Fleet and Family Service Center and return no later then Feb. 15 . For more details, call 5060.

Paper Clips, etc., a division of Winston-Salem Industries For The Blind, Inc., is taking over ServMart. We will need new associates to join our store, with a special effort to employ visually challenged persons. We need cashiers, stock/ warehouse personnel and assistant managers. Please contact the Human Resource Dept. at 1-800-242-7726 or send an e-mail message to: LRing@wsifbcom.

The following are job vacancies currently open through the Human Resources Division:

Openings with closing dates: Secretary (OA) (Temp), first cutoff 2/ 19/02 Closes - until filled Secretary (OA), closes 2/22/02 Medical Records Tech., closes 2/22/02. Office Automation Clerk (Temp), closes 2/22/02 Supervisory Accounting Tech., closes 2/26/02 Health Technician, closes 2/26/02

Open Continuous Vacancies: Supply Technician, 1st cutoff 12/21, closes 12/06/02

For more information contact the Human Resources Division at ext. 4822 or 4430.

The following job opportunities are available at the Navy Exchange. F/T - Weekdays, Weekends

Meatcutting Worker Security Guard Flex - Weekdays, Weekends

Food Service Worker Motor Vehicle Operator

Flex - Afternoons to 7pn Cash Office Cashier For details, visit the Navy Exchange Personnel Office or call 4119.

WANTED

(1) JTFMATHTUTOR-Mathematically challenged parents seek Math Tutor knowledgeable in the art of advanced mathematics -- slope intercept, graphing calculator, trigonomic ratios and quadratic equations. Great opportunity for member of JTF -- parents will negotiate rides, home cooked meals, family lifestyle, phone and internet use, Fishing trips, use of mountain bike and PlayStation 2. Call 7976 (AWH)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SEABEE Ball T-Shirts On Sale Now Available at Public Works, Bldg 204. Cost is \$10. Contact Trish Loop at 4662. ext 204, for details,

THE CITADEL If you are a Citadel alumnus, give me a call. Dave Walsh, 5725.

Caribbean Naval Lodge A.F. & A.M. will hold its March stated meeting on Wednesday, March 6 at 7:30 pm in Bldg. 1840. All Master Masons in good standing are invited to attend.

Phoenix Cable is now offering broadband cable internet Call 2510 for details

PERSONALS

We at the U.S. Naval Hospital would like to thank the base community for taking time to recognize our efforts in caring for you. Your positive personal feedback about the care our staff provides conveys

the message that the work we do means a great deal to the customers we serve. The entire staff appreciates the positive impression you have of us. We continually strive to be a high quality, customer service focused medical facility. Your honest and candid comments about your experiences provide us with valuable information for improving your healthcare.

The Naval Hospital was recently awarded TRICARE's Military Treatment Facility Active Duty Customer Satisfaction Award at the annual TRICARE conference. This award recognizes the Hospital for achieving a high level of overall customer satisfaction as reported by you, our beneficiaries, during the fiscal year 2001. Again, the Naval Hospital staff would like to express our sincere thanks to you for providing us with the information we need to improve your healthcare. Please continue to respond to the TRICARE questionnaires. Keep up the good work! Charlie Pana

Thank You, From the Naval Hospital LCDR Cathy Widmer Customer Relations Officer

My wife and I have settled into the Aloha State but our memories of GTMO still linger. We would like to send a "Mahalo" to all who made our stay in GTMO bearable, just to name a few: Ben and Judy House, John and Sherrie Brummett, Ruby and Glenn Mead, Capt. Buehn, PW and HRO personnel. A last "ALOHA NOI" to the Goat Locker crowd and the RCI guys also. Many thanks to all!

Fred and Anna Mae McKissack

The Navy College Learning Center congratulates MA2 Juan Rivera, He came to our center in order to prepare for the CLEP test in English. He has recently completed our Fast Track Language Arts course and did so in record time -- only nine and a half hours! Upon completion Juan started working on our Fast Track Reading course. He has shown that he is a hard working dedicated student. After sharing his experience with his friends, one of them, Jesse Quintana, has become one of our students. It is great to see students enhancing their educational skills and spending their free time on selfimprovement. Juan Rivera serves as a great example to us all.

GAZETTE CLASSIFIED ADS

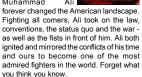
Classified ads may be submitted in person at the COMNAVBASE Public Affairs Office in Rm. 133, Bulkely Hall, by e-mail at pao@usnbgtmo.navy.mil, or by fax at 5279. Phone-in ads are not accepted. Ads run for three weeks, unless specified, except for personals, which will run in only one issue. On all ads with items for sale, we place a number in parenthesis which indicates the number of weeks that ad has run.

All ad text may be edited by the Gazette staff to conform to for The deadline for submitting ads is the close of business. Wednesday o the week you want your ad to start.

ALI

Drama 2hrs. 47min. Starring: Will Smith, Giancarlo Esposito, Jamie Foxx, Jada Pinkett Smith, Jon Voight





JIMMY NEUTRON



Kids/Family 1 hr. 27 min. Starring: Debi Derryberry, Patrick Stewart, Martin Short. Rob Paulsen. Andrea Martin

Little Jimmy Neutron is light years ahead of

the pack, but when it comes to being cool, he's a little behind. Until one day when his parents and all other kids' parents on Earth are kidnapped by aliens, it's up to him to lead all the children of the world to rescue their parents. With his new found heroism and spacecrafts he invents, he quickly becomes the coolest kid on the planet!

BLACK HAWK DOWN

Drama Action/Adventure 2 hrs. 24 min. Starring: Josh Hartnett, Tom Sizemore, Ewan McGregor Sam Shepard. William Fichtner

This adaptation of Mark Bowden's book of the same name takes place

in 1993 when U.S. special forces entered Somalia to bring food and humanitarian aid to the starving population. In an attempt to capture a marauding warlord Black Hawk helicopters lowered soldiers to the ground in Mogadishu and were confronted by a devastating and unexpected attack by Somalian forces. The U.S. Soldiers struggle to regain their balance while enduring heavy gunfire.

Movies

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

7pm Jimmy Neutron G - 77min

9pm Black Hawk Down R - 143min

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

7pm Oceans Eleven PG13 - 116min

9pm Joe Somebody PG - 108min

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

7pm ALI R - 167min

Monday, February 18

7pm The Majestic PG - 150min

Tuesday, February 19

7pm Black Hawk Down R - 143min

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

7pm Jimmy Neutron G - 77min

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

7pm ALI R - 167min



What's Happening...

Valentine's Day Special

Enjoy a relaxing cruise on the bay. We are offering half -off hourly rental rates (plus gas) for any available boat on Valentine's Day (excludes the GTMO Queen).

Valentine's Party

Join us at the Windjammer Bar for our 2002 Valentine's Party, 7pm until it's over.

Washington's Birthday Special
Feb. 18 - If you were born on this day, get half off normal daily rental fee for any available boat, water toy or rod & reel combo (excludes gas and the GTMO Queen).

MWR & USO Present 4U2NV live at the Windjammer

Feb. 16 & 17 beginning at 8pm.

Liberty Center

Feb. 19 - 8 Ball Pool Tournament. Call 2010 for more information.

Rick's Lounge

Rick's Lounge is now open daily from 4pm to midnight. Rick's is open to officers and civilian equivalents only.

Youth Center

Feb. 15 - Make Your Own Sundae Feb. 16 - Open Rec. Call 4658 for more information.

Oasis Teen Center

Feb. 15 - Pizza & A Movie Feb. 16 - Open Rec Call 2096 for more information.

Free Kayaking Lessons

Every Saturday and Sunday at the Marina, 2 to 4 pm and 4 to 6 pm. Beginners through advanced. Qualified instructors take you through the steps to become a qualified kayaker. Sign up at the Marina or call 2345.

Total "Fitness" Camp

At Denich Gym every Monday & Wednesday 6:15 - 7:15 am

Yoga Ultimate Stretch Classes At the Marine Hill Aerobics Room

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 12 - 1 pm.

Aerobics Classes

Marine Hill Aerobics Room (Basic Step) Mon., Wed., Fri. 6 - 7 am. (Interval) Monday - Friday 8:30 - 9:30 am (Advanced Step) Mon., Wed., Fri. 5:15 - 6:15 pm (Circuit) Saturday 9:15 - 10:15 am

For more information, on any of the events listed above, call 5225.